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PCT/GB03/002239 \*  
International Filing Date: \*  
22 May 2003 \*  
For: VALVE ASSEMBLY

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Applicant has received the British search report on the application on which priority is claimed herein. A copy of the search report is submitted herewith, along with copies of the two documents cited in the British search report. Also submitted herewith are copies of British patent No. 2,209,411, which is discussed in the specification of the present application and French patent No. 778,928 which is cited in the International Search Report. The French patent is not in the English language. The requirement for a concise explanation of relevance is satisfied by the English language International Search Report filed herewith, which indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

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